

What is claimed is:

1. A method of diagnosing ICD in a subject, comprising quantifying a polynucleotide encoding a cytokine selected from the group consisting of IL-4 and IL-8 in cells isolated from the subject, wherein the amount IL-4 or IL-8 is indicative of ICD.
2. The method of claim 1, wherein the polynucleotide is detected by PCR.
3. The method of claim 1, wherein the polynucleotide is detected by hybridization with a polynucleotide probe.
4. The method of claim 1, wherein the polynucleotide is detected by RNase protection assay.
5. The method of claim 1, wherein the cells are skin cells.
6. The method of claim 1, wherein the subject is a mammal.
7. The method of claim 6, wherein the mammal is a human.